Pollution control requirements

172. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of industrial units have violated the pollution control requirements;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such units which have so far not complied with pollution control requirements in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) what action is proposed to be taken against the recalcitrant units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c) The details of wilful defaulters in the country including these in Andhra Pradesh, who have not taken steps for complying with the pollution control requirements, are given below:

S. No.	State	Number of Units
01.	Andhra Pradesh	11
02.	Jammu & Kashmir	06
03.	Madhya Pradesh	01
04.	Rajasthan	01
05.	West Bengal	02
06.	Uttar Pradesh	03
07.	Maharashtra	01

(d) Legal action under the provisions of the law has been taken by the Pollution Control Boards of the States against the defaulting units.

Controlling Pollution Caused by Industries

173. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any effective steps to control pollution being caused by various industries in the country (State-wise);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any foreign assistance is being taken for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the work done with the help of such assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) Government have taken effective steps to control pollution being caused by various industries in the country, according to which, industries that were commissioned on or before May 16, 1981 and after May 16, 1981 (but before December 31, 1991) are required to meet the prescribed standards within time by December 31, 1992 and December 31, 1993 respectively. In order to priorities the action 17 categories of industries are identified and the status of pollution control compliance in these categories of industries and their State wise distribution is monitored and given in the enclosed statement (See below)

The other steps taken by the Government to contain pollution are as follows:

(i) Effluent and mission standards have been prescribed under the Environment (Protection, Act, 1986).

(ii) A network of ambient and water quality monitoring stations has been set up in metropolitan cities.

(iii) Environmental guidelines have been evolved for sitting and operation of industries.

(iv) 17 categories of heavily polluting industries have been identified and these have been directed to comply with the prescribed standards within a time-frame.

(v) Scheme for construction/augmentation of sewage and drainage system and for treatment of